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QPTR Category: Abortion

NOLA Code: FRON 002402K1
Series Title: Frontline
Program Title: The Last Abortion Clinic
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/8/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Today, the headlines are filled with speculation about changes in the U.S. Supreme Court and what those changes might mean for abortion -- an issue that has divided the country for over 30 years. Heated rhetoric from both sides continues to be heard in courtrooms and on the campaign trail. But while attention is often focused on the arguments, there is another story playing out in local communities. Pro-life advocates have waged a successful campaign to reduce abortions in many places throughout the country. By using state laws to regulate and limit abortion and by creating their own clinics to offer alternatives to women, they have changed the facts on the ground. FRONTLINE investigates the steady decline in the number of physicians and clinics performing abortions and focuses on local political battles in states like Mississippi, where only a single clinic performs the controversial procedure.

QPTR Category: Aging

NOLA Code: MLNH 008410C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 12/1/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:07:44
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Tom Bearden provides a Science Unit report on the scientific discoveries made by David Sinclair of Harvard Medical School about the connection between genes and aging.

QPTR Category: Alcohol, Drug Abuse

NOLA Code: MLNH 008417C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 12/12/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:09:55
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Lee Hochberg of Oregon Public Broadcasting reports on how Oregon is trying to limit access to common medications that contain ingredients that could be used to produce methamphetamines.

QPTR Category: American History/Biography

NOLA Code: ACEM 000000K1
Series Title: A Cemetery Special
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/26/2005 7:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

This celebration of cemeteries across America takes an unusual and informative look at graves, monuments, family plots, sculpture and the way cemeteries interconnect with many aspects of modern American culture. Traveling from Key West to central Alaska, the program features examples of burial grounds as special sites where history and art are preserved, where flowers and trees can be important attractions, where people make pilgrimages to the final resting places of the famous and the familial, and where old and new traditions often combine in fascinating ways. Rick Sebak (A Program about Unusual Buildings, A Hot Dog Program, A Flea Market Documentary and Sandwiches That You Will Like) narrates.

NOLA Code: AMEX 001801W1
Series Title: AMERICAN EXPERIENCE
Program Title: Two Days in October
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/17/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 90
Format: Documentary

"Two Days in October"--Based on the book They Marched Into Sunlight by the Pulitzer Prize-winning writer David Maraniss, this AMERICAN EXPERIENCE production tells the story of two turbulent days in October 1967. In Vietnam, a U.S. battalion unwittingly marches into a Viet Cong trap. Sixty-one young men are killed and as many wounded. The ambush prompts some in power to wonder whether the war might be unwinnable. Half a world away, angry students on the campus of the University of Wisconsin protest the presence of Dow Chemical, makers of napalm. The demonstration spirals out of control, marking the first time that a student protest of the war turns violent. Told almost entirely by the people who took part in the harrowing events of those two days - American and Viet Cong soldiers, police officers, relatives of men killed in battle, protesting students, members of a political mime troupe and university administrators - the film opens a window onto a moment that divided a nation and a war that continues to haunt us.

NOLA Code: FRON 002316K2
Series Title: Frontline
Program Title: The O.J. Verdict
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/4/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Ten years after one of the most controversial verdicts in the history of the American justice system, FRONTLINE revisits the O.J. Simpson trial. For more than a year, the Simpson saga transfixed the nation and dominated the public imagination. The slow-speed chase, the "Dream Team" of defense lawyers, the bloody gloves, the 911 calls and the Fuhrman tapes -- the best screenwriters in Hollywood could not have imagined the drama and intrigue. But the Simpson trial also revealed startling truths about American society. It exposed deep and enduring racial rifts and introduced thousands of Americans to the complexities of the legal system. FRONTLINE producer Ofra Bikel investigates the "perfect storm" that was the O.J. trial, and through extensive interviews with the defense, prosecutors and journalists reveals what its lasting impact will be on the American justice system.

QPTR Category: Arts

NOLA Code: ARTF 000304K2
Series Title: Art in the Twenty-First Century
Episode Title: Play
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/17/2005 10:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

In the final program of this edition, artists Jessica Stockholder, Ellen Gallagher, Arturo Herrera and Oliver Herring demonstrate the concept of play in art. NBA's Grant Hill hosts.

NOLA Code: TVCI 000000K1
Series Title: The Twelfth Van Cliburn International Piano Competition: In the Heart of Music
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/9/2005 4:30:00 PM/502
Length: 90
Format: Documentary

This film documents the experience of three young pianists, from different countries, who vie to win one of the world's most prestigious piano competitions. The 2005 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition throws a revealing light on the young artists' desire for excellence, and also serves in the film as a symbol for the lifetime quest for communion with an audience. How do the artists draw on their own suffering, joy and love to feed an interpretation of an abstract piano score? How do they face the periods of solitude they need to become deeply involved in music? Where does the energy come from to captivate an audience? What is the seed that will - years from now - turn them into mature and accomplished artists?

NOLA Code: INLE 000705K1
Series Title: Independent Lens
Program Title: Mirror Dance
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/15/2005 12:00:00 AM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Identical twins Margarita and Ramona de Sa became acclaimed ballerinas with the National Ballet of Cuba. Once inseparable, their relationship disintegrated as one sister left for America while the other embraced the Cuban Revolution. "Mirror Dance" is the story of two women forever linked by birth and dance, but struggling to overcome rifts not only between sisters but also between nations.

QPTR Category: Business/Industry

NOLA Code: JEDR 000229K1
Series Title: The Journal Editorial Report
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/21/2005 12:00:00 AM/502
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; Magazine; News

A new chapter for auto workers this week. Squeezed hard by foreign automakers, GM and the United Auto Workers get together to slash the cost of health benefits. What does this bode for U.S. workers?

NOLA Code: PPBB 000000Q1
Series Title: Making Your Fortune Online with Marsha Collier
Distributor: SIP
Release Date: 12/4/2005 10:30:00 AM/503
Length: 90
Format: Demonstration/Instructional

Marsha Collier is the author of several books, including eBay for Dummies, which help people learn to start and operate their own business on-line. In this two hour pledge special Marsha tells people how to start a business, decide what to sell, how to find merchandise, how and where to list it, how to market and display merchandise and how to care of day to day business maintenance such as collecting revenue and paying taxes.

NOLA Code: NOWD 000149M1
Series Title: NOW
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 12/9/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Frances Moore Lappe, who is considered a leading thinker about the significance of individuals' choices in improving the world, talks with David Brancaccio about redefining our democracy from something done to us to something done for us. "People are just building up their citizenship and saying, 'Yes, I can help create the power to make democracy come to life to serve us.'" Lappe is author or co-author of fourteen books, including the three-million-copy bestseller DIET FOR A SMALL PLANET, which awakened a whole generation to the human-made causes of hunger. Her latest book DEMOCRACY'S EDGE reframes democracy as a powerful tool. It reveals the hidden story of a living democracy emerging to meet the unprecedented challenges of our time. Diane Wilson took on a giant chemical company and forced it to stop dumping chemicals along her beloved Gulf Coast, where she was a fourth-generation shrimp boat captain. David Brancaccio talks with the mother of five about her experience as a real-world example of how individual citizens can create change in a democracy. "I started out trying to go through the typical route, and I find out real quick that the regulatory process does not work," she says. Wilson chronicled the battle she took to the courts, to the gates of the chemical plant, and to the halls of government in the book AN UNREASONABLE WOMAN. Of her epic tale of nonviolent disobedience, direct action, and debilitating hunger strikes, the SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE wrote: "This book does for environmentalism what ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN did for government reform."

QPTR Category: Child Abuse

NOLA Code: BSCS 000000K2
Series Title: Breaking the Silence: Children's Stories
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/20/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

This powerful documentary chronicles the impact of domestic violence on children. From adult children of abuse to families re-victimized by the court systems to children experiencing the trauma today, the special offers moving and unforgettable profiles of those struggling to put their lives back together. The program also documents the disturbing frequency with which abusers are winning custody of their children in family court cases, and explores why this miscarriage of justice continues to occur. The documentary features interviews with New York Yankees manager Joe Torre, who dealt with domestic violence as a child and in 2003 started the Safe-at-Home Foundation to help educate people about the issue; and Walter Anderson, chairman and CEO of Parade magazine, who recounts the emotional and physical abuse he suffered at the hands of his alcoholic father.

QPTR Category: Community Politics, Government

NOLA Code: MLNH 008374C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/12/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:12:36
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Margaret Warner reports on the challenges facing the New Orleans Police Department following the beating of a 64-year-old man by policemen Saturday night. Then, Warner leads a discussion about how to handle the problems with Capt. Marlon Defillo of the New Orleans Police Department public affairs office, Rafael Goyeneche, executive director of the Metropolitan Crime Commission, and Peter Scharf, executive director of the Center for Society, Law and Justice at the University of New Orleans.

NOLA Code: JEDR 000232K1
Series Title: The Journal Editorial Report
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/11/2005 12:00:00 AM/502
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

How significant are the gubernatorial elections in New Jersey and Virginia and the defeat of all four California referenda pushed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger? Jason Riley, John Fund, and Kimberley Strassel try to answer this question.

QPTR Category: Consumerism

NOLA Code: MLNH 008375C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/13/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:11:27
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Margaret Warner looks at the impact of higher home heating costs this year. Then, Warner leads a discussion about how to cut back on energy usage with Kara Saul Rinaldi of the Alliance to Save Energy and Tom Wallin of Energy Intelligence.

QPTR Category: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

NOLA Code: FRON 002401K1
Series Title: Frontline
Program Title: The Torture Question
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/18/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 90
Format: Documentary

In the uncertain weeks following September 11, an internal power struggle was underway deep inside the Bush administration. Waged between partisans at the highest levels of the government, that battle -- captured in a series of blunt memos -- exemplifies the struggle to create a legal framework to give the president authority to aggressively interrogate enemy fighters in the war on terror. FRONTLINE goes behind closed doors to investigate the struggle over how and when to use what was called "coercive interrogation." The film begins with a policy born out of fear and anger and tracks how increasingly tough measures were taken to gather information about Al Qaeda, Osama bin Laden and finally the rising insurgency in Iraq. In an examination that begins at the White House and ends in the public debate about alleged abuses at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and Abu Ghraib, policy makers, government interrogators and their subjects talk to FRONTLINE about their experiences as part of this internal battle.

NOLA Code: SEDE 000502K3
Series Title: Secrets of the Dead
Program Title: Gangland Graveyard
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/16/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

It started with a severed foot in a vacant lot. By the time the painstaking FBI investigation ended, a powerful Mafia crime family was shattered, and its once-invincible "don" faced life behind bars. With firsthand accounts from FBI special agents, this program explores the brave new world of federal investigation, which combines old-fashioned undercover work with cutting-edge financial sleuthing and forensics. The latest SECRETS OF THE DEAD installment tracks the dramatic downfall of "Big Joey" Massino, delving into the largely unheralded FBI effort to cripple the mob. Joseph D. Pistone, who posed as tough-talking jewel thief Donnie Brasco and whose time in the Mafia was later made into the movie Donnie Brasco, provides insight. Tony-winner Liev Schreiber narrates.

QPTR Category: Culture

NOLA Code: INLE 000703K1
Series Title: Independent Lens
Program Title: The Last Cowboy
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/25/2005 10:00:00 PM/502
Length: 90
Format: Documentary

Vernon Sager is a cowboy struggling to survive in Porcupine, South Dakota, in this story of real cowboys and Indians living in the middle of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Winters with temperatures that reach 30 degrees below zero and summers with prairie fires and frying-pan heat have pushed most of Sager's family and friends off the land. But Vernon still gets up at three a.m. to saddle his horse and count calves. THE LAST COWBOY is the real-deal Rawhide, the story of people fighting to preserve a vanishing way of life.

QPTR Category: Economy

NOLA Code: MLNH 008377C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/17/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:10:00
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Gwen Ifill talks to Todd Zywicki, professor of bankruptcy law at George Mason University, and Travis Plunkett, legislative director at the Consumer Federation of America, about the new, stricter requirements for filing for bankruptcy in America.

NOLA Code: MLNH 008404C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/23/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:09:31
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Jeffrey Brown speaks with Darryl Jenkins of Portals to the World, an online booking agency, and former airline executive Michael Levine about the state of the airline industry and the impact bankruptcies and airline strikes might have on travelers.

QPTR Category: Energy

NOLA Code: NOWD 000145C1
Series Title: NOW
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/11/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

The costs of gas and home heating oil are near record highs, and so are profits for the major players in the oil industry. Do hurricanes and the cost of crude oil account for sharp price increases, or is Big Oil making big money by driving prices up? NOW's Maria Hinojosa investigates the real reasons behind skyrocketing oil prices and asks if a concerted industry strategy has rigged the system. Plus, Secret justice. A David Brancaccio essay on the secret prisons of the war on terror.

QPTR Category: Environment/Nature/Geography

NOLA Code: FRON 002403K1
Series Title: Frontline
Program Title: The Storm
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/22/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

In the wake of Hurricane Katrina, FRONTLINE investigates the political storm surrounding the devastation of America's Gulf Coast. FRONTLINE producer/reporter Martin Smith leads a team that asks hard questions about the decisions leading up to the disaster and beyond.

NOLA Code: GWSS 000000K1
Series Title: Global Warming: The Signs and The Science
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/2/2005 7:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

This documentary explores what is arguably the most significant environmental phenomenon of the last 10,000 years - global warming. The program focuses on the people who are living with the possibilities and grave consequences of a changing climate - scientists monitoring the signs and symptoms, and individuals and communities inventing new approaches to safeguard future generations. Filmed in the United States, Asia and South America, the wide-ranging, compelling and accessible program brings the reality of climate change to life and offers viewers a variety of ways to make a difference in their own communities. Recording artist Alanis Morissette hosts.

NOLA Code: NAAT 002303W1
Series Title: Nature
Program Title: Can Animals Predict Disaster?
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/13/2005 7:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Can animals save human lives by helping us predict tidal waves and other deadly natural phenomena? Observations of animal behavior at the onset of the catastrophic Indian Ocean tsunami have given a major impetus to research into this intriguing question. What, if anything, do animals sense, and how can we use that ability? These issues are at the heart of this program, which explores the moments leading up to the tsunami and assesses how close we are to solving this important puzzle.

NOLA Code: NOVA 003218K1
Series Title: NOVA
Program Title: Storm That Drowned a City
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/22/2005 7:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

NOVA presents a minute-by-minute eyewitness account of the Hurricane Katrina disaster, exploring why the flood defenses and disaster relief planning failed to match Katrina's fury. What made this storm so deadly? How accurately did scientists predict its impact? And why are powerful hurricanes like Katrina likely to strike more often? The program will investigate the immense challenges posed by rebuilding New Orleans, and why-despite all the knowledge of the peril faced by its citizens-the city was so tragically unprepared when the long-feared disaster finally struck.

QPTR Category: Family/Marriage

NOLA Code: INLE 000704K1
Series Title: Independent Lens
Program Title: A Family at War
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/8/2005 10:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

When one American family loses their son in the Iraq war, their lives-and views-are irrevocably changed. In A FAMILY AT WAR, Danish filmmakers follow the Kaylor family over the course of a year, tracing their individual reactions and changing attitudes on the military and global politics.

QPTR Category: Health/Health Care

NOLA Code: LHPW 000000Q1
Series Title: The Perricone Weight Loss Diet
Distributor: SIP
Release Date: 12/10/2005 12:30:00 PM/503
Length: 75
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

From the author of three # 1 New York Times best sellers, Nicholas Perricone, MD, comes the most exciting and promising weight loss book since Dr. Atkins revolutionized the multi-billion dollar diet category back in 1972 with his low carbohydrate, high protein concept. While Dr. Atkins was on the right track, i.e., the wrong type of carbohydrates can pack on the pounds, his mantra of "hold the bagel, pass the bacon" is only half right. For the first time in diet book history, comes the voice of common sense. Dr. Perricone dispels myths and gimmicks and presents an easy to follow, highly effective life plan filled with nutritious, delicious foods and beverages guaranteed to help everyone shed pounds, quickly and easily-regardless of age or gender. And not a moment too soon, because we now know that being overweight or suffering from obesity is more than a vanity issue--it can be life-threatening. Excess weight precipitates many of the chronic disorders associated with aging, including insulin resistance, hypertension, atherosclerosis, diabetes and arthritis.

NOLA Code: RXSU 000101K2
Series Title: Rx for Survival, A Global Health Challenge
Episode Title: Disease Warriors/Rise of the Superbugs
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/1/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 120
Format: Documentary

"Disease Warriors/Rise of the Superbugs" Before there was an understanding of the cause of disease; protectors of public health had only careful surveillance and quarantine to fight epidemics. The first episode chronicles the groundbreaking work of 19th-century researchers, such as scientist Louis Pasteur, who discovered that germs cause illness and developed the first vaccines. Despite the progress in combating disease, the world still faces major challenges in getting basic care to those who need it and in creating new ways to combat modern nemeses such as AIDS. It's difficult to imagine a world without medicines, yet before the 20th century, there weren't any. This episode chronicles the fight against new resistant bugs and the search for "magic bullets", the wonder drugs that have become a mainstay of modern medicine. From the development of the first drug to treat syphilis to the discovery of penicillin and new classes of antibiotics, this program recounts the stunning successes of today's medicines while examining the growing dangers presented by antibiotic-resistant strains of diseases such as tuberculosis.

QPTR Category: Immigration/Refugees

NOLA Code: DESA 000101K1
Series Title: Destination America
Episode Title: The Golden Door
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/19/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

America is a country founded and built by immigrants. From the beginning, most have come looking for a better life for themselves and their families. The first episode features an illegal Mexican immigrant, and outlines the sweep of immigration across more than 350 years of American history, focusing on the early history of Mexican immigration, the Norwegian immigrants to the Midwest and the Irish famine.

NOLA Code: MLNH 008384C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/26/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:09:01
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Jeffrey Kaye of KCET-Los Angeles revisits a Mexican family of illegal immigrants in Los Angeles, whom he first chronicled in 1993.

QPTR Category: Media

NOLA Code: PIOP 000000K1
Series Title: Pioneers of Primetime
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/9/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Television legends Milton Berle, Red Skelton, Sid Caesar, Bob Hope, Steve Allen, Sammy Davis Jr., Buddy Ebsen, Donald O'Connor and Rose Marie return to primetime in never-before-seen interviews - and a treasure trove of rare clips - compiled in this new documentary. Six years in the making, the film chronicles television comedy's long-forgotten pedigree - from vaudeville through radio to the golden age of television. Berle, Caesar, Skelton, Hope and many others provide fascinating firsthand accounts of what it was like to launch the new medium of television.

QPTR Category: Minorities/Civil Rights

NOLA Code: MLNH 008383C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/25/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:14:54

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Jeffrey Brown looks back at the life of civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks, who died Monday at the age of 92. Then, Brown discusses her life and legacy with the Rev. Joseph Lowery, who helped lead the Southern Christian Leadership

Conference with Martin Luther King Jr., and Democratic Rep. Eleanor Holmes

Norton, a 1960s civil rights activist and the elected delegate for Washington, D.C.

NOLA Code: INLE 000706K1

Series Title: Independent Lens

Program Title: Race Is the Place

Distributor: PBS

Release Date: 11/22/2005 12:00:00 AM/502

Length: 60

Format: Documentary

How do American artists address our nation's most pressing social issue? Using spoken, sung and chanted word, African American, Latino, Asian American and Native American authors, performance artists, poets and singers explore the pain, frustration and humor of racism in America.

QPTR Category: National Politics/Government

NOLA Code: FRON 002401K1

Series Title: Frontline

Program Title: The Torture Question

Distributor: PBS

Release Date: 10/18/2005 9:00:00 PM/502

Length: 90

Format: Documentary

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NOLA Code: JEDR 000232K1
Series Title: The Journal Editorial Report
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/11/2005 12:00:00 AM/502
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

The Iraqi deputy prime minister joins the panel to discuss his rocky past with the Bush Administration, present realities in Iraq and future priorities for the Iraqi people.

QPTR Category: Nuclear Issues/WMD

NOLA Code: MLNH 008382C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/24/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:09:35
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

North Korea agreed today to attend a new round of nuclear talks in Beijing, China. Margaret Warner speaks with New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who just returned from Pyongyang, North Korea, about the country's involvement in six-nation talks and the prospects of dismantling its nuclear weapons program.

QPTR Category: Poverty/Hunger

NOLA Code: SMFO 000000K1
Series Title: Small Fortunes: Microcredit and the Future of Poverty
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/27/2005 10:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Through the stories of recipients of small loans in locales from India to the Philippines to New York City, this documentary explores the issues of poverty and microcredit. The program shows how short-term loans of even a few dollars have resulted in dramatic improvements in the lives of families who otherwise would have no means of lifting themselves out of poverty. The film includes commentary by grassroots organizers, bankers, economists and scholars on the past, present and potential successes of microcredit programs.

NOLA Code: TASM 000557K1
Series Title: Tavis Smiley
Episode Title: John Edwards/Thandie Newton
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/3/2005 11:00:00 PM/503
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Former Democratic VP candidate John Edwards discusses his work with the Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity. Actress Thandie Newton reflects on her career.

QPTR Category: Recreation/Leisure/Sports

NOLA Code: MLNH 008385C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/27/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:05:23
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

The Chicago White Sox won the World Series for the first time since 1917.
Jeffrey Brown speaks with Ron Rappaport, sports columnist for the Chicago Sun-Times, about the historic win.

NOLA Code: TASM 000571K1
Series Title: Tavis Smiley
Episode Title: Bill Russell
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/21/2005 9:30:00 PM/502
Length: 30
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Host Tavis Smiley speaks with former Boston Celtic Bill Russell about his career.

QPTR Category: Religion/Ethics

NOLA Code: DESA 000103K1
Series Title: Destination America
Episode Title: The Earth Is the Lord's
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/26/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Ever since the Mayflower pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, immigrants have come to America to escape religious persecution: Amish and Mennonites, Jews and evangelical Christians, Huguenots from France, Baha'is from Iran, Chinese practicing their esoteric Falun Gong, Tibetan Buddhists. The idea of America as a haven for those seeking freedom to worship looms large in the American imagination.

QPTR Category: Science/Technology

NOLA Code: AMEX 001802W1
Series Title: AMERICAN EXPERIENCE
Program Title: Race to the Moon
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/31/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

On Christmas Eve, 1968 one of the largest audiences in television history tuned in to an extraordinary sight: a live telecast of the moon's surface as seen from Apollo 8. The historic journey of the first manned space flight to leave Earth's gravitational pull and orbit the moon captivated people around the world who welcomed a technological triumph in space after a year marked by assassinations, riots and war on Earth. As this AMERICAN EXPERIENCE production reveals, however, the mission's success was far from assured. The Apollo 8 astronauts had just four months to prepare for the risky mission and catastrophic failure would have brought a halt to America's goal of putting a man on the moon before the end of the decade. With images and audio never before broadcast, this film recounts the flight many consider to be NASA's most daring and important. Interviews with Apollo 8 astronauts, their wives, mission technicians and journalists take viewers inside the high-stakes space race of the late 1960s to reveal how a bold decision by NASA administrators put a struggling Apollo program back on track and allowed America to reach the moon before the Soviets.

NOLA Code: LEOD 000101K2
Series Title: Leonardo's Dream Machines
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/3/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

This series follows the world's leading Leonardo da Vinci experts as they attempt to build for the first time some of Leonardo's dream machines to his exact specification and scale, 500 years after he first committed his ideas to paper. The aim of the series is to discover whether his ideas were the flights of fancy of a gifted artist or revolutionary designs hundreds of years ahead of their time.

NOLA Code: NOVA 003214K2
Series Title: NOVA
Program Title: NOVA scienceNOW
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/18/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

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QPTR Category: Social Services

NOLA Code: MLNH 008419C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 12/14/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:11:49
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Margaret Warner reports on the resignation of American Red Cross president Marsha Evans and the other troubles plaguing the organization, particularly criticism over its response in the Gulf Coast region after Hurricane Katrina hit. Then, Warner discusses the problems facing the American Red Cross with Paul Light, professor of public service at New York University.

QPTR Category: Transportation

NOLA Code: MLNH 008402C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/21/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:10:53
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Jeffrey Brown reports on General Motors' announcement Monday to cut 30,000 jobs at a dozen manufacturing plants by 2008. Then, Brown speaks with Csaba Csere, editor-in-chief of Car and Driver magazine, about the impact of the announcement.

NOLA Code: MLNH 008404C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/23/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:09:31
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Jeffrey Brown speaks with Darryl Jenkins of Portals to the World, an online booking agency, and former airline executive Michael Levine about the state of the airline industry and the impact bankruptcies and airline strikes might have on travelers.

QPTR Category: Urban Development, Urban Decay

NOLA Code: MLNH 008390C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 11/3/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:08:57
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Ray Suarez reports on the problems that Brooklyn faces with a proposed billion dollar residential and commercial center that would tear down a mix of derelict storefronts and empty lots.

QPTR Category: War/Veterans/National Security

NOLA Code: INLE 000702K1
Series Title: Independent Lens
Program Title: En Route to Baghdad
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/18/2005 12:00:00 AM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

Prior to his death in a Baghdad bombing attack in 2003, former United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Sergio Vieira de Mello devoted his life to global humanitarian efforts in countries such as Mozambique, Cambodia and East Timor. EN ROUTE TO BAGHDAD is a portrait of Vieira de Mello and his extraordinary career and a tragic metaphor for the effort to bring stability to Iraq.

NOLA Code: NOVA 003212W1
Series Title: NOVA
Program Title: Sinking the Supership
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/4/2005 7:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

In April 1945, the largest battleship ever built set out on the ultimate suicide mission. With its crew of 3,000, Battleship Yamato, the pride of Japan's fleet, sailed to a solo confrontation with the 1500-strong United States Navy. Attacked by a swarm of U. S. dive bombers, the battleship sank within minutes. A NOVA team discovers the wreck and retells the Yamato's extraordinary saga through the eyes of the few Japanese crew who survived the sinking and are still living today. State-of-the-art CGI animation shows viewers what the colossal battleship was like in all its glory at the time of its launching. The program opens a dramatic perspective on the great age of battleships and why it ended so abruptly with the Yamato's disastrous sinking.

QPTR Category: Women

NOLA Code: DESA 000104K1
Series Title: Destination America
Episode Title: Breaking Free: A Woman's Journey
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/26/2005 10:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Format: Documentary

In the world they left behind, women were second-class citizens, subservient to men by law and custom. Some feared for their lives. Others were searching for new opportunities. This episode features the Guatemalan victim of spousal abuse who's seeking political asylum; an Italian woman who fled a brutal husband in 1887; and an Iranian woman and her two daughters, whose story of why and how they left Iran is a chilling tale of what it takes to break free.

NOLA Code: HELT 000000C2
Series Title: Helen of Troy
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/12/2005 9:00:00 PM/502
Length: 120
Format: Documentary

Host Bettany Hughes explores the myth and mystery surrounding Helen of Troy as she travels to Greece and Turkey to find the fact woven within the fiction of the complex tapestry of this ancient Greek tale.

QPTR Category: Youth

NOLA Code: MASW 000000K1
Series Title: Making Schools Work
Distributor: PBS
Release Date: 10/5/2005 8:00:00 PM/502
Length: 120
Format: Documentary

A film about nationwide efforts to improve the standards of learning for low-income and minority students.

NOLA Code: MLNH 008409C1
Series Title: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Distributor: PBS

Release Date: 11/30/2005 6:00:00 PM/502
Length: 60
Segment: 00:12:14
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review; News

Margaret Warner speaks with Chicago Tribune National Legal Affairs Reporter Jan Crawford Greenburg about Wednesday's Supreme Court abortion case on the constitutionality of a New Hampshire law requiring parental notification before a minor can have an abortion.

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Friday, December 09, 2005 8:00 PM Biofuel, Alissa's Gift Shop, Alabama Alpacas
Tuskegee University's College of Engineering recently hosted a conference looking at the role biofuel could play in everyday operations. Legand Burge, Jr. the Dean of Tuskegee University's College of Engineering, Architecture and Physical Sciences, discusses what work on biofuel could mean for consumers. In Greenville, Alissa's Gift Shop began operating in a hospital. The business grew and is now a part of downtown Greenville selling various types of items. In Glencoe Alabama, a farm offers alpacas for customers. The farm raises a few dozen of various varieties of the animals. Timberlake Farm Alpacas offers alpacas for people interested in breeding the animals for their fur.

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In part two of a chief executive roundtable exploring business ethics, panelists discuss a chief executive's role in setting a company's ethical standards. Panelists include Jay Grinney, President & CEO, HealthSouth Corporation; Dudley C. Reynolds, President & COO, Alagasco; and Van L. Richey, President CEO, ACIPCO. The non-profit educational organization Southern Institute sponsored the roundtable. The firm's founder and president Dr. John C. Knapp led the discussion before a group gathered for the program in Birmingham.

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In part two of a chief executive roundtable exploring business ethics, panelists discuss a chief executive's role in setting a company's ethical standards. Panelists include Jay Grinney, President & CEO, HealthSouth Corporation; Dudley C. Reynolds, President & COO, Alagasco; and Van L. Richey, President CEO, ACIPCO. The non-profit educational organization Southern Institute sponsored the roundtable. The firm's founder and president Dr. John C. Knapp led the discussion before a group gathered for the program in Birmingham.

Alabama Experience

Sunday, October 02, 2005 12:30 PM The People

Conversations with members of the Cherokee, Creek, Shawnee, and Choctaw tribes, who are dedicated to learning about and preserving the histories, arts, and spirituality that are essential to their heritage.

Friday, October 07, 2005 2:00 AM Music and Memories of the Civil War

Listen to the marches, ballads, and folk songs popular in both the North and South during the Civil War. Bobby Horton, who recorded music for the epic PBS series "The Civil War," talks about the stories behind these songs with host Bill Foster.

Sunday, October 09, 2005 12:30 PM The Chief: Calvin McGhee and the Forgotten Creeks

The story of an Alabama farmer who in the 1960's united more than 30,000 Creek Indians from across the Southeast. McGhee negotiated with Presidents Kennedy and Johnson to settle a dispute over an 1814 treaty that was signed after the battle of Horseshoe Bend.

Sunday, October 16, 2005 12:30 PM Miller's Pottery

The Miller family has been making pottery in Alabama since the end of the Civil War. They supplied much-needed churns, jugs, and pots to customers of the past, and now their products appeal to collectors of folk art. Follow Eric Miller and his son Steve through the process of making stoneware, from digging the clay to firing the kiln in Brent, AL.

Friday, October 21, 2005 3:30 AM Historic Point Clear

This program explores Point Clear, on the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay, beginning with its development in the 1840's, through the Civil War to the turn of the century, and its growth into a thriving community.

Sunday, October 23, 2005 12:30 PM Made in Alabama

A simple wooden desk; a carefully stitched quilt; a modest stoneware jar--all items of necessity for the average Alabama family in the 19th century. But the folks who fashioned these practical items are now being recognized as true Alabama artisans. Their material legacy provides a tangible link to the state's social and cultural past. This program explores the ordinary people whose hands shaped our history.

Sunday, October 30, 2005 12:30 PM Ghosts of Selma

Hear the stories of ruined banker John Parkman, who opens doors at Sturdivant Hall; Miz Eliza who greets guests at Great Hall Bed and Breakfast; and Jeffrey, who haunts Kathryn Tucker Windham, a Selma resident and author of ghost stories.

Sunday, November 06, 2005 12:30 PM Bridges to the Past

Covered bridges served vital needs in the days of horse drawn transportation. Today they provide picturesque recreational attractions that give visitors insight into how people lived in the past. "Bridges to the Past" will document Alabama's eleven remaining historic covered bridges that are open to the public. All were built from 1850 through the 1930s. A few are still in use for motor traffic today, but most are limited to foot traffic.

Sunday, November 13, 2005 12:30 PM Pearl Harbor

Alabamians, who were at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, recall the surprise attack that brought the United States into World War II.

Sunday, November 20, 2005 12:30 PM Natural Assets

Alabama is one of the richest states in the country in terms of natural resources, but one of the poorest when it comes to preserving those resources. Often, environmental protection is seen as a hindrance to economic betterment. "Natural Assets" features a group of enterprising Alabamians who are finding ways to make a living while protecting or even improving the environment.

Sunday, November 27, 2005 12:30 PM Old Alabama Town

Visit the sprawling museum that shows you how Alabamians lived a century ago. Montgomery's Old Alabama Town features over three blocks of houses and buildings, including a cotton gin, neighborhood grocery, drugstore and schoolhouse.

Sunday, December 18, 2005 12:30 PM One of a Kind

Though its success has spawned imitators, The Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail--history's largest golf course design and construction project--remains unique through its sheer magnitude, high quality, and its unprecedented approach to public golf. "One of A Kind" profiles The Trail's eight spectacular sites, and explains their origin and impact on the state of Alabama. The unparalleled career of legendary architect Robert Trent Jones Sr. is also examined.

Friday, December 23, 2005 3:25 AM Birmingham to Montgomery on Highway 31

It used to be Alabama's busiest road, but now everyone takes the interstate. Ride the old road using a 1941 driving tour as a guide, and discover Alabama's Scandinavian settlement, the descendants of a famous poet, one of the state's oldest dry goods store, and the secret of the Temple of Sybil.

Saturday, December 24, 2005 3:00 AM Presence of Christmas

This program offers festive holiday music performed by the Birmingham-Southern Alumni Choir directed by the acclaimed Hugh Thomas

Saturday, December 24, 2005 3:30 AM Sounds of a Southern Christmas

Celebrate the season with spirituals, shaped-note singing, an Appalachian ballad, a slave shout song, string band music, and an urban quartet.

Sunday, December 25, 2005 12:30 PM Sounds of a Southern Christmas

Celebrate the season with spirituals, shaped-note singing, an Appalachian ballad, a slave shout song, string band music, and an urban quartet. Funded by Alabama Arts Council.

At Your Service

Sunday, October 02, 2005 2:00 PM

A weekly thirty-minute program designed for the fifty plus audience, with information to help them maximize this time in their lives. Hosted by Bob Mosca and Jack Galassini. Each program will have segments on health nutrition, exercise, finance, travel, fashion, employment and government.

Sunday, October 09, 2005 2:00 PM

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Sunday, December 11, 2005 6:30 AM

Sunday, December 18, 2005 2:00 PM

Sunday, December 25, 2005 2:00 PM

Alabama Ballet: The Making Of Romeo And Juliet

Sunday, November 20, 2005 8:00 PM

This one-hour documentary takes viewers behind the scenes as the internationally-renowned Alabama Ballet interprets William Shakespeare's classic story of star-crossed lovers. Over six weeks, Alabama Public Television's cameras captured days of extreme fatigue, tension and frustration, in addition to very humorous moments, as the dancers prepared an infamously arduous piece. The film culminates in a thrilling and emotional performance set to Prokofiev's score. Along the way, we regularly interview the artistic director, Wes Chapman, the choreographer and principle Romeo, Roger Van Fleteren, and the principal ballerina and Juliet, Tatiana Ledovskikh. All three are world-class performers, who are well-known on the most prestigious stages around the globe. Wes and Roger both danced as principals and with Mikhail Baryshnikov at the American Ballet in New York. Tatiana comes to the company from the Bolshoi Ballet in Russia. The film reveals the passion, tenacity, artistry and top physical condition that dancers must possess to achieve this level of professional success. Most people could never achieve this, even if they tried.

Thursday, November 24, 2005 7:00 PM

Monday, November 28, 2005 9:00 PM

Bookmark

Sunday, October 02, 2005 1:30 PM Mitch Albom

More than fifty writers - including literary stars such as James Dickey, John Barth, Peter Taylor, Ray Bradbury, Shirley Ann Grau and Anne Rivers Siddons - have discussed their work on Bookmark during the past several years on Alabama Public Television. Host for the program is Don Noble, an English professor from the University of Alabama.

Sunday, October 09, 2005 1:30 PM Warren St. John

Sunday, October 16, 2005 1:30 PM Steve Berry

Sunday, October 23, 2005 1:30 PM Andrei Codrescu

Sunday, October 30, 2005 1:30 PM Frank Stitt

Sunday, November 06, 2005 1:30 PM Frank Stitt pt. 2

Sunday, November 13, 2005 1:30 PM Allen Barra

Sunday, November 20, 2005 1:30 PM Rick Bragg

Sunday, November 27, 2005 1:30 PM Steve Dorsey

Sunday, December 18, 2005 1:30 PM Cassandra King

Sunday, December 25, 2005 1:30 PM Harvey Jackson

Discovering Alabama

Sunday, October 02, 2005 1:00 PM Sipsey Wilderness

Dr. Phillips takes the viewer through the Sipsey Wilderness and recalls the influence of nineteenth-century romanticism and the emergence of a national movement for the preservation of America's wilderness regions.

Sunday, October 02, 2005 8:00 PM Sipsey Wilderness

Sunday, October 02, 2005 8:30 PM Long Leaf Ecosystem

This video traces the history, and significance, of the Longleaf pine, Alabama's official state tree. Experts now believe that the Longleaf ecosystem was at one time the single largest forest ecosystem in the south. This video highlights ongoing efforts to better understand and perpetuate the Longleaf Ecosystem.

Tuesday, October 04, 2005 8:00 PM Sipsey Wilderness

Tuesday, October 04, 2005 8:30 PM Long Leaf Ecosystem

Friday, October 07, 2005 3:00 AM Night Sky

See how to enjoy a night hike without the aid of a flashlight or lantern, and learn some tips about studying the night sky with a group of teachers interested in astronomy.

Friday, October 07, 2005 3:30 AM Dauphin Island

This program describes the forces of geologic change to barrier islands, specifically Dauphin Island, and concludes with a look at environmental changes occurring on the island as a result of growth and development and ways to manage these activities to benefit the island's natural future.

Sunday, October 09, 2005 1:00 PM Long Leaf Ecosystem

Friday, October 14, 2005 3:00 AM Mobile-Tensaw Delta

This Delta is second in size only to the Mississippi River Delta. Canoe the Delta with the program's host to examine both its historical role in the settlement of the New World and its present status as a remarkable natural resource.

Friday, October 14, 2005 3:30 AM Little River Canyon

The story opens with a recreation of Union Soldiers encountering the deep, impassable Little River Canyon as Confederate soldiers close in pursuit. Along the seventy-mile hike along Little River, Dr. Doug Phillips points out the various features and recounts its local history.

Sunday, October 16, 2005 1:00 PM Alabama Trees

In this program, host Dr. Doug Phillips takes an autumn stroll through Alabama woods to introduce viewers to individual members of the forest community and answer the commonly asked question, "what kind of tree is this?"

Friday, October 21, 2005 3:00 AM Dugger Mountain

This program examines the effort of a group of citizen environmentalists who, together with concerned governmental officials, secured federal wilderness designation for Dugger Mountain in Northeast Alabama.

Sunday, October 23, 2005 1:00 PM Alabama Forest History

Alabama Forests are part of the larger southern forest ecosystem, the most productive forest regions in the nation. This unique forest region is especially diverse due to its climate and soils, and because of geological conditions associated with particular events of prehistoric times. This program highlights the importance of Alabama forests in context with the history and significance of the southern forest system.

Sunday, October 30, 2005 1:00 PM Alabama Forest Issues

Discovering Alabama has completed several programs about the natural wonders of Alabama forests. Therefore, this program focuses primarily on key issues of forest controversy, including such hot-button issues as the practice of clear-cutting and the conversion of natural forestlands to pine tree plantations. The program features guest commentary from industry, environmental organizations, and forest research scientists, and examines these different interest groups perspective about the concept of "sustainable forestry."

Sunday, November 13, 2005 8:00 PM National Forest in Alabama

Dazzling hi-definition footage enriches this program recognizing Discovering Alabama's 20th Anniversary and honoring the 100th Anniversary of the U.S. Forest Service. Alabama's six divisions of National Forests represent the great physiographic variety of Alabama. Their total of more than 660,000 acres contains some the nations most diverse and productive forestlands. This program takes viewers on a grand aerial tour of the entire system of National Forests in Alabama. Along the way, visits with naturalists, historians, and others highlight the historical role of the U.S. Forest Service and examine the many ways National Forest lands add to the quality of life in Alabama.

Sunday, November 13, 2005 8:30 PM Little River Canyon National Preserve

For millions of years the waters of Little River have gathered from upper Dekalb and Cherokee counties, flowing southward and carrying a path deep into the sandstone, limestone, and shale that underlie this plateau region. The result, Little River Canyon, a great gorge so impressive in dimensions that it is often called the Grand Canyon of the East. In 1985, Little River Canyon was featured among the first programs of the Discovering Alabama series. This year, marking Discovering Alabama's 20th Anniversary, host Doug Phillips takes viewers on a dramatic natural treasure to explore the effects of time and change, and to consider the increasing dilemma of human population pressures versus the need for natural area preservation.

Friday, November 18, 2005 3:30 AM Forest Issues

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Monday, November 28, 2005 8:00 PM National Forest in Alabama

Monday, November 28, 2005 8:30 PM Little River Canyon National Preserve

Friday, December 02, 2005 3:30 AM Forever Wild

This program explores Alabama's nationally recognized state program for purchasing and protecting special wildlands.

Sunday, December 04, 2005 1:00 AM Black Belt 1

Few parts of the world can boast of land as fertile as the rich, dark soils found in Alabama's blackland prairie region, known as the Black Belt, but unfortunately, the region is often negatively associated with cotton plantations and slavery. This program examines the region's natural history and how it has helped shape its human and cultural history. Various leaders and local residents are featured as they consider past and present conditions and ponder prospects for the Black Belt's future.

Sunday, December 04, 2005 1:30 AM Black Belt 2

Many issues confront the residents of Alabama's Black Belt region, among the more economically depressed areas of the state. Today a host of efforts are being made to examine the region's problems and consider possible solutions to a variety of needs—economic, educational, and social. In this program, viewers visit a sampling of the projects and initiatives under-way to assist the Black Belt. Project representatives, including government officials, university leaders, and local participants, discuss their hopes for the region.

Sunday, December 04, 2005 2:00 AM Covington County

As the modern world becomes increasingly urban-ized, there are places that remain largely the way nature crafted. One such place is Covington County with its enchanting forests, crystal clear rivers, and beautiful countryside. This program overviews Covington County's history and natural appeal as host Dr. Phillips hikes through the county along a portion of the Conecuh Trail. Along the way, viewers hear from local area biologists, educators, and others who enjoy living in Covington County and are concerned about sustaining a quality future for the county.

Sunday, December 04, 2005 2:30 AM Lee County

As Alabama was being settled, the portion of the state now called Lee County was a rough frontier akin to the Wild West. Over time, the establishment of churches, local governments, businesses, farms, and notably, Auburn University, helped change Lee County into a thriving area. During recent decades, the demise of farming, together with an upsurge of industrial and commercial development, are changing much of the county in new ways. This program explores the history and heritage of Lee County and examines the implications of accelerating development that may significantly alter the county for all time.

Sunday, December 04, 2005 3:00 AM Wildlife Rescue

This program highlights several programs to help injured wildlife by Alabamians who feel special compassion for animals. Included are visits to the Wildlife Center at Oak Mountain State Park, the southeastern Raptor Center at Auburn University, and a project to save endangered sea turtles along Alabama's Gulf Coast.

Sunday, December 04, 2005 3:30 AM Alabama Fossils

Since the eighteenth-century, geologists have been attracted to Alabama because of the region's diverse geology. This video overviews the geological history of Alabama in context with the major geological eras of the earth's development and its corresponding fossil record.

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Tuesday, December 20, 2005	8:30 PM	Alabama Fossils
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Sunday, December 25, 2005	3:00 AM	Wildlife Rescue

Sunday, December 25, 2005 3:30 AM Alabama Fossils

Sunday, December 25, 2005 1:00 PM A Walk in the Woods

Wednesday, December 28, 2005 4:00 AM Alabama Fossils

Wednesday, December 28, 2005 4:30 AM Wildlife Rescuers

Thursday, December 29, 2005 4:30 AM Wildlife Rescuers

For The Record

Monday, October 03, 2005 6:30 PM Phishing Schemes
Alabama Banking Superintendent John Harrison talks about how his department is battling "phishing." "Phishing" occurs when a person gets an email asking for financial information to update company files. The method is an identify theft scam. Harrison will also take questions from viewers when they call 1-866-552-0025.

Monday, October 03, 2005 11:00 PM Phishing Schemes

Tuesday, October 04, 2005 6:30 PM Hurricane Environmental Wrath
It has been easy to see the damage Hurricane Katrina has left. In addition to determining the damage to homes, businesses, and property, the damage the storm did to the coastline and natural resources must also be determined. The storm may have released pollutants and other dangerous materials into the environment. The environmental damage to the state and what is needed to prevent further erosion will be discussed.

Tuesday, October 04, 2005 11:00 PM Hurricane Environmental Wrath

Wednesday, October 05, 2005 6:30 PM Higher Gas Bills this Winter
Heating costs this winter are expected to be up sharply. We'll talk with a representative of Alabama Gas Corporation and others about how much of an increase to expect, and what you can do to keep a lid on the size of your bill.

Wednesday, October 05, 2005 11:00 PM Higher Gas Bills this Winter

Thursday, October 06, 2005 6:30 PM Hurricane Insurance Payments
Coastal residents are beginning to file insurance claims for damage suffered due to Hurricane Katrina. Policyholders will soon discover exactly what is covered under their insurance policy. One area of debate revolves around whether the wind or floodwater was responsible for their damage. The determination will be important when it comes to insurance payments, and it could take months for all claims to be processed.

Thursday, October 06, 2005 11:00 PM Hurricane Insurance Payments

Friday, October 07, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review
John Ehinger of the "Huntsville Times," Ken Hare from the "Montgomery Advertiser," and Scott Stantis with the "Birmingham News" discuss events of the past week.

Friday, October 07, 2005 11:00 PM Week In Review

Monday, October 10, 2005 6:30 PM Women In The Bible

Naomi Rosenblatt discusses her book focusing on women in the Bible. For the past 20 years, Ms. Rosenblatt has led Bible study groups for senators, congress people, and corporate leaders in New York and Washington, D.C. Author of *After the Apple* and other books, Ms. Rosenblatt talks about noted women in the Bible, as well as her view of whether the Bible should be viewed as a literal or figurative text.

Monday, October 10, 2005 11:30 PM Women In The Bible

Tuesday, October 11, 2005 6:30 PM The Race For Governor

Former Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore wants to be Alabama's next Governor. Gov. Riley is expected to announce his plans on Saturday, October 8. They would do battle in the Republican Primary. On the Democratic side, former Gov. Don Siegelman and Lt. Governor Lucy Baxley have talked about their intentions to seek the state's top office.

Tuesday, October 11, 2005 11:00 PM The Race For Governor

Wednesday, October 12, 2005 6:30 PM Flu Pandemic

State Health Officer Dr. Don Williamson discusses concerns about certain bird flu spreading to humans. Avian influenza has raised concerns worldwide of a global pandemic. The U.S. is looking to increase vaccine production and purchasing more antiviral drugs. Williamson will explain the health threat and what people can do to reduce the risk of catching the flu.

Wednesday, October 12, 2005 11:00 PM Flu Pandemic

Thursday, October 13, 2005 6:30 PM Dr. Page Walley

The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Human Resources (DHR), Dr. Page Walley, will discuss Katrina's impact on social services in Alabama and take viewer calls.

Thursday, October 13, 2005 11:00 PM Dr. Page Walley

Friday, October 14, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review

Jim Van Anglen from the "Mobile Register," Dana Beverley of the "New York Times Regional Newspapers," and Dave White from the "Birmingham News" will discuss the events of the past week.

Friday, October 14, 2005 11:00 PM Week In Review

Monday, October 17, 2005 6:30 PM Arts Council Head

In September, the Alabama State Council on the Arts awarded 161 grants worth more than 1.8 million dollars to support arts programs in the state. Al Head is the Executive Director of the Alabama Council on the Arts. He will discuss how the official state arts agency is working to support arts planning and programs. Head will also take viewer questions when they call 1-866-552-0025.

Monday, October 17, 2005 11:00 PM Arts Council Head

Tuesday, October 18, 2005 6:30 PM Victim Notification

Alabama requires crime victims to be notified when their victimizers are slated to appear before the parole board. But the parole board says the requirement is slowing down the probation process, and that it is sometimes difficult to locate victims since several years may have passed. Victims also say they want to be present at those hearings in many cases to testify against the granting of probation. And victims say they want to be notified so they will not be surprised seeing their victimizers on the streets. There is an effort to relax the requirement for the parole board, but some say a change should not be done without considering the impact on victims.

Tuesday, October 18, 2005 11:00 PM Victim Notification

Wednesday, October 19, 2005 6:30 PM Weather Warning

Warning Coordination Meteorologist Jason Wright talks about how November has become the busiest month for tornadoes in Alabama. Between 2000 and 2004, 81 tornadoes occurred in the month of November. The number was easily higher than any other month. Wright offers tips on what people can do to be prepared for storms.

Wednesday, October 19, 2005 11:00 PM Weather Warning

Thursday, October 20, 2005 6:30 PM Southern Poverty Law Center

On Saturday, October 23rd, the Southern Poverty Law Center will host the dedication of a new Civil Rights Memorial Center and Wall of Tolerance. The dedication is part of a weekend of activities the organization has planned. The SPLC was founded in 1971. Co-Founder Morris Dees talks about the new center and monument.

Thursday, October 20, 2005 11:00 PM Southern Poverty Law Center

Friday, October 21, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review

Jim Merlini from Metro Source News, Jon Kent with WVAS-FM will be among the three Alabama journalists discussing the events of the past week.

Friday, October 21, 2005 11:00 PM Week In Review

Monday, October 24, 2005 6:30 PM Research Money

The Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research, or EPSCoR, promotes the development of a state's science and technology resources. Sherry Farwell heads EPSCoR and visited Alabama universities to examine ongoing research. Keith McDowell, EPSCoR Director in Alabama, and Dave Echols of the Alabama Development Office, discuss the importance of Farwell's visit. They will also take questions from viewers who call 1-866-552-0025.

Monday, October 24, 2005 11:00 PM Research Money

Tuesday, October 25, 2005 6:30 PM Rosa Parks

Rosa Lee Parks, whose refusal to give up her bus seat to a white man sparked the modern civil rights movement, has died. She was 92. Rosa Parks Museum Director Georgette Norman and Historian and Author Richard Bailey, Ph.D. will discuss the life and impact of Rosa Parks.

Tuesday, October 25, 2005 11:00 PM Rosa Parks

Wednesday, October 26, 2005 6:30 PM History Knowledge

1776? 1492? 1821? When you watch people on the street give horribly wrong answers to American History questions asked by Jay Leno, you would think we're a nation of history illiterates. How important is teaching about our past? We'll talk with The Alabama History Teacher of The Year about the problem and possible solutions.

Wednesday, October 26, 2005 11:00 PM History Knowledge

Thursday, October 27, 2005 6:30 PM Property Tax Updates

Property owners are seeing their property taxes rise every year. This happens because property is being reappraised annually. Some say doing the recalculation every year amounts to a tax increase. The matter will be explained.

Thursday, October 27, 2005 11:00 PM Property Tax Updates

Friday, October 28, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review

Barbara Bobo of the "West Alabama Gazette will be among the three journalists discussing the events of the past week.

Friday, October 28, 2005 11:00 PM Week In Review

Monday, October 31, 2005 6:30 PM North Korea Visit

New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson went to North Korea to encourage the country to give up its nuclear arms program. Before Richard's trip, Alabama World Affairs Council Executive Director James Nathan visited North Korea doing some advance work for the former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. Nathan will explain the concerns about North Korea having nuclear weapons and take viewer questions when they call 1-866-552-0025

Monday, October 31, 2005 11:00 PM North Korea Visit

Tuesday, November 01, 2005 6:30 PM High School Athletes

Joyner-Kersee won three gold, one silver and two bronze medals over four consecutive Olympic Games. She visited a couple of Birmingham schools last week to talk with students about pursuing their dreams and emphasizing healthy living. She also talked with "For The Record" about healthy lining as it relates to childhood obesity and young athletes using steroids. Dan Washburn Executive Director of the Alabama High School Athletic Association and Dee Jackson Sports Director for WAKA-TV Montgomery discuss issues relating to the health of Alabama's high school athletes.

Tuesday, November 01, 2005 11:00 PM High School Athletes

Wednesday, November 02, 2005 6:30 PM Alabama Bar President
Alabama State Bar President Bobby Segall discusses issues the organization hopes to address. The group is supporting legislation calling for merit selection of judges for the state's appellate courts. The proposal has drawn fire from those who say the plan is a ploy to circumvent voters and have a small group selecting judges. Segall will talk about that issue and more.

Wednesday, November 02, 2005 11:00 PM Alabama Bar President

Thursday, November 03, 2005 6:30 PM 2005 Alabama's Financial Future
"For The Record" Special at Alabama Public Television's 50th anniversary celebration!
In a special "For The Record" from the Birmingham Museum of Art, University of Alabama Center for Business and Economic Research Director Carl Ferguson, Ph.D., and Samford University School of Business Dean Beck Taylor, Ph.D., discuss where the state is heading economically. They will identify the industries providing the jobs for Alabamians in the past. They will also discuss what people need to consider now when it comes to securing their financial future in tomorrow's economy.

Thursday, November 03, 2005 11:00 PM 2005 Alabama's Financial Future

Friday, November 04, 2005 6:30 PM Week in Review
Three Alabama journalists will be discussing the events of the past week.

Friday, November 04, 2005 11:00 PM Week in Review

Monday, November 07, 2005 6:30 PM Corrections Commissioner
A recent report shows around a third of those being incarcerated in Alabama prisons were convicted of drug offenses. Combined with repeat offenders it is one of the causes of prison overcrowding. Alabama Department of Corrections Commissioner Donal Campbell will this issue and take viewer questions when they call 1-866-552-0025.

Monday, November 07, 2005 11:00 PM Corrections Commissioner

Tuesday, November 08, 2005 6:30 PM Counter Terrorism Expert
Retired Brigadier General Russell Howard serves as the Director of the Jebson Center for Counterterrorism Studies at the Fletcher School at Tufts University. Howard recently retired from the United States Military Academy at West Point as Head of the Social Sciences Department and Director of the Combating Terrorism Center. Howard is in Alabama to speak to the Alabama World Affairs Council.

Tuesday, November 08, 2005 11:00 PM Counter Terrorism Expert

Wednesday, November 09, 2005 6:30 PM Doctor James Forbes Junior
Newsweek and Ebony have praised him as one of America's greatest preachers...Doctor James Forbes Junior is Senior Minister at The Riverside Church in New York City. He was in Alabama recently and sat down with FTR for a conversation about preaching, faith, social issues and the mixing of church and state.

Wednesday, November 09, 2005 11:00 PM Doctor James Forbes Junior

Thursday, November 10, 2005 6:30 PM Labor Department Head
Former Alabama Secretary of State Jim Bennett now heads the Alabama Labor Department. The department enforces child labor laws. It also does safety inspection for boilers, elevators and escalators. Bennett will discuss the departments work to improve labor/management relations in Alabama. He will also take viewer questions when they call 1-866-552-0025.

Thursday, November 10, 2005 11:00 PM Labor Department Head

Friday, November 11, 2005 6:30 PM Women In The Bible

Friday, November 11, 2005 11:00 PM Women In The Bible

Monday, November 14, 2005 6:30 PM National Hospice Month
November is National Hospice Month. Hospice groups work with families, friends and care providers in dealing with end of life issues for patients. Representatives and researchers will discuss the role of hospice, the challenges care givers face and take your questions. The number to call is 1-866-552-0025.

Monday, November 14, 2005 11:00 PM National Hospice Month

Tuesday, November 15, 2005 6:30 PM Changing Political Landscape
Polls show President Bush with an approval rating of lower than 50% in Alabama. Is this just a temporary situation for the President or could it signal a problem for the President and the Republican Party. Meanwhile another poll is split on whether former governor Don Siegelman should be seeking the state's highest office since he has been indicted

Tuesday, November 15, 2005 11:00 PM Changing Political Landscape

Wednesday, November 16, 2005 6:30 PM Art Appreciation 101
In his book "The Accidental Masterpiece: On The Art of Life and Visa Versa", New York Times chief art critic Michael Kimmelman writes about the way the creation, collection and appreciation of art can impact daily living. We'll discuss censorship, politics, outsider art and more.

Wednesday, November 16, 2005 11:00 PM Art Appreciation 101

Thursday, November 17, 2005 6:30 PM School Safety
A Tennessee teenager is in jail for allegedly shooting at high school administrators. An assistant principal was killed the principal and another assistant principal were wounded. Could the shooting have been avoided? What are school officials doing to maintain a safe school environment?

Thursday, November 17, 2005 11:00 PM School Safety

Friday, November 18, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review
Kim Price from the Wetumpka Herald and Robb Taylor from WVAS-FM will be among the three journalists discussing the events of the past week.

Friday, November 18, 2005 11:00 PM Week In Review

Monday, November 21, 2005 6:30 PM Holiday Depression
The holiday season is not a time of joy and cheer for everyone. For some it is a time of depression, loneliness, anxiety, and self-evaluation. Montgomery psychiatrist Dr. David Harwood will discuss the sources of holiday depression and how to deal with stress the season may cause. He will also take viewer questions when they call 1-866-552-0025.

Monday, November 21, 2005 11:00 PM Holiday Depression

Tuesday, November 22, 2005 6:30 PM Open Meeting and Records
A new open meetings law has gone into effect in Alabama. The law sets new requirements for notification and access for people to attend public meetings. Work is also needed on the state's open records law. State Senator Zeb Little from Cullman and Dennis Bailey from the Alabama Press Association will discuss the laws and the need for them.

Tuesday, November 22, 2005 11:00 PM Open Meeting and Records

Wednesday, November 23, 2005 6:30 PM Dr. James Forbes
"For the Record" begins a three-part series of interviews with authors, and clergy on religious issues. Dr. James Forbes is the senior minister of the Riverside Church in New York City. In October he spoke at the anti-poverty advocacy group, Alabama Arise's "Open Hearts Open Minds" lecture series. Forbes discusses his speech on "Healing the Spirit of Our Nation and Responsible Activism."

Wednesday, November 23, 2005 11:00 PM Dr. James Forbes

Thursday, November 24, 2005 6:30 PM Naomi Harris Rosenblatt
For the Record introduces Huntingdon College hosted psychotherapist and author Naomi Harris Rosenblatt in the second part of a three-part series on religious issues. She has written religion related books "Wrestling With Angels" and "In God's Image." Her most recent book is called "After The Apple, Women In The Bible, Timeless Stories of Love, Lust and Longing."

Thursday, November 24, 2005 11:00 PM Naomi Harris Rosenblatt

Friday, November 25, 2005 6:30 PM Bruce Feiler
Bruce Feiler has toured holy sites in the Middle East. Feiler has written half a dozen books including "Walking The Bible" and "Where God Was Born." In this final part in a three-part series on religious issues, Feiler talks about his journeys and what he tries to convey in his books.

Friday, November 25, 2005 11:00 PM Bruce Feiler

Monday, November 28, 2005 6:30 PM Bruce Feiler

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Tuesday, November 29, 2005 6:30 PM Churches and the Bus Boycott

As final preparations continue on the start of the remembering the Montgomery Bus Boycott the role of churches in the event will be discussed. Religious leaders discuss the role of churches in the boycott's success and what issues should churches take on now 50 years later.

Tuesday, November 29, 2005 11:00 PM Churches and the Bus Boycott

Wednesday, November 30, 2005 6:30 PM Economic Hurricane

A storm is brewing ready to strike the United States. It is not a hurricane like Katrina. The storm involves the country's economic health. Some economists say if changes are not made in fiscal policy and even among average citizens Americans would be in serious financial trouble. From the baby boomers reaching retirement age, to low savings rate and rising debt, the monetary problems facing the state will be discussed.

Wednesday, November 30, 2005 11:00 PM Economic Hurricane

Thursday, December 01, 2005 6:30 PM Bus Boycott Celebration

Montgomery begins a year long celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Montgomery Bus Boycott. The celebration has already begun with lectures and other events. December the first will be highlighted by a children's march to commemorate the event.

Friday, December 02, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review

Sallie Owens of the Mobile Register and Bill Perkins Dothan Eagle will be among the three Alabama journalists discussing the events of the past week.

Monday, December 05, 2005 6:30 PM Bird Flu

Avian influenza or "bird flu" is a contagious disease that normally infects only birds. There is major concern in countries like China where a second human death from bird flu has been confirmed that the virus could infect humans. Dr. Fred Hoerr, Professor of Pathobiology at Auburn University and Director of the State of Alabama Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratories, will discuss the bird flu. He will explain what people should be concerned about and viewers can join in the discussion with their questions by calling 1-866-552-0025.

Tuesday, December 06, 2005 12:30 PM Bird Flu

Tuesday, December 06, 2005 6:30 PM Ambassador Freeman

Ambassador Chas Freeman, President of the Middle East Policy Council and Co-chair of the U.S. China Policy Foundation, discusses the state of the Middle East. Freeman also served as US Ambassador to Saudi Arabia and as Assistant Secretary of Defense for National Security Affairs.

Wednesday, December 07, 2005 12:30 PM Ambassador Freeman

Wednesday, December 07, 2005 6:30 PM Public Service Commission Head
Public Service Commission President Jim Sullivan talks about regulating utilities in Alabama. Sullivan will discuss the decisions the Alabama PSC is working on and their potential impact on you. He will also tell how the PSC works to regulate utilities and work to keep them from have a major impact on your pocketbook. Sullivan has served as PSC President since 1983.

Thursday, December 08, 2005 6:30 PM Ethics Case
The Alabama Ethics Commission is considering a complaint filed against an Alabama lawmaker. A look at how the commission works in handling cases.

Friday, December 09, 2005 6:30 PM Week In Review
Bob Davis from the "Anniston Star" will be among the three journalists discussing the events of the past week.

Monday, December 12, 2005 6:30 PM AIDS Research
Dr. Paul Goepfert works on the development of an AIDS vaccine at the University of Alabama's Center for AIDS Research. According to Goepfert, a vaccine is critical to combating AIDS. Dr. Goepfert will discuss ongoing research and treatment. Viewers who would like to ask questions can call 1-866-552-0025.

Tuesday, December 13, 2005 6:30 PM Prescription Program Problems
Beginning in January, Medicare will offer prescription drug coverage for everyone with Medicare. The various programs being offered under the plan has those eligible questioning what plan is best for them. Medicaid Commissioner Carol Herrmann will outline how the program works and what information people need to know in order to make the right choice.

Wednesday, December 14, 2005 12:30 PM Prescription Program Problems

Wednesday, December 14, 2005 6:30 PM Hank Williams Story
Paul Hemphill has written a book on country singer Hank Williams. In "Lovesick Blues: The Life of Hank Williams" Hemphill recounts Williams' life from his youth until his death at age 29. Hemphill talks about his motivation for writing the book.

Thursday, December 15, 2005 6:30 PM Child Labor
Wolfgang Trammell will explain Alabama's Child Labor Laws. Trammell works for the Alabama Labor Department and will discuss the rules regarding how many hours teenagers may work and the types of jobs they can perform.

Thursday, December 15, 2005 11:30 PM Child Labor

Friday, December 16, 2005 6:30 PM Week in Review
Three Alabama journalists will discuss the events of the past week.

Friday, December 16, 2005 11:00 PM Week in Review

Monday, December 19, 2005 6:30 PM Harvey Jackson, III looks at Alabama History
History Professor Harvey Jackson, III discusses his new book "Inside Alabama: A Personal History of My State." Jackson looks at the major events in the state's history and discusses the impact of those events on Alabama today. Jackson is the Chair of History and Foreign Languages at Jacksonville State University.

Monday, December 19, 2005 11:00 PM Harvey Jackson, III looks at Alabama History

Tuesday, December 20, 2005 6:30 PM Greensboro Defines Southerners
Birmingham Southern Professor Dr. Guy Hubbs has spent years studying Greensboro in West Alabama. Hubbs believes examining the town's Civil War era provides insight on southerners and their behavior. Hubbs talks about his book "Guarding Greensboro."

Tuesday, December 20, 2005 11:00 PM Greensboro Defines Southerners

Wednesday, December 21, 2005 6:30 PM Steve Suitts on Hugo Black
The career of former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Hugo Black is reviewed. President Franklin Roosevelt appointed Black to the Supreme Court. His nomination almost derailed because he had been a member of the Ku Klux Klan, but Black would go on to make rulings the KKK and other white supremacists would hate. Author Steve Suitts talks about his book on Black.

Wednesday, December 21, 2005 11:00 PM Steve Suitts on Hugo Black

Thursday, December 22, 2005 6:30 PM Ireland and Alabama
When most people think about Irish and Alabama, epic football battles come to mind. But the ties run much deeper. UAB professor Kieran Quinlan says the connections between Ireland and the American South go beyond familial relations. His new book, "Strange Kin: Ireland and the American South," explores the significant Irish presence in the South and Southern history.

Thursday, December 22, 2005 11:00 PM Ireland and Alabama

Friday, December 23, 2005 6:30 PM Dinosaur Hunting
Doctor Paul Sereno, a National Geographic Explorer in Residence, spoke at Huntingdon College in Montgomery on drifting continents and the impact on dinosaurs. Sereno and his team are credited with finding some of the most significant paleontological finds of the 1990s. Sereno talks about his work and the importance of making science available to children.

Friday, December 23, 2005 11:00 PM Dinosaur Hunting

Monday, December 26, 2005 6:30 PM Healing The Spirit
Dr. James Forbes is the senior minister of the Riverside Church in New York City. In October, he spoke at the Alabama Arise's "Open Hearts Open Minds" lecture series. Alabama Arise is a group focusing on ways to fight poverty. Forbes discusses his speech on "Healing the Spirit of Our Nation and Responsible Activism."

Monday, December 26, 2005 11:00 PM Healing The Spirit

Tuesday, December 27, 2005 6:30 PM Paul Smyke On The World Economy

Paul Smyke is a Senior Advisor to the World Economic Forum a group dedicated to improving the business and financial operations around the globe. The group holds meetings bringing together diverse individuals and groups and offering ways to help improve conditions for people around the world. Smyke talks about impact globalization and trade is having and will have on Alabama. Smyke spoke to the Alabama World Affairs Council.

Tuesday, December 27, 2005 11:00 PM Paul Smyke On The World Economy

Wednesday, December 28, 2005 6:30 PM Visiting Historic Holy Sites

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Wednesday, December 28, 2005 11:00 PM Visiting Historic Holy Sites

Thursday, December 29, 2005 6:30 PM Radio Talk Show Hosts On Alabama 2005
Radio talk show hosts Kevin Elkins of "First Call with Kevin Elkins" on WLWI-AM 1440 AM in Montgomery and Russ and Dee Fine hosts of "Russ and Dee in the Morning" on 101.1 FM in Birmingham discuss what their listeners have been talking about in 2005.

Thursday, December 29, 2005 11:00 PM Radio Talk Show Hosts On Alabama 2005

Friday, December 30, 2005 6:30 PM Year In Review

Leada Gore of the Hartselle Inquirer, Monica Allen from WAKA-TV Montgomery, Ken Hare with the "Montgomery Advertiser," and Dave White of the "Birmingham News" discuss the major stories of the year in Alabama.

Friday, December 30, 2005 11:00 PM Year In Review

Quiltmakers Of Gee's Bend

Monday, November 21, 2005 9:00 PM

The artists are all descended from slaves who worked a plantation called Pettway, located on the Alabama River. The slaver's surname is still ubiquitous in the community. And the people still inhabit the land their forebears once slaved. But now, they own it. Through generations, the women of Gees Bend have taught their daughters to quilt, using any piece of material available - from feed sacks to old work clothes. During times when self-expression was discouraged, singing and the unique quilt patterns represented these African-American's only creative outlets. Geographically and culturally isolated from other communities, techniques and styles were left to develop with little outside influence, and hence this quilting coterie has been compared to the great artistic enclaves of the Italian Renaissance. Quilts that once kept families of sometimes 16 children warm inside drafty log cabins, now hang in the world's great museums.